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September 18, 2023

Tara Elwell
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Re: Conservation Closure(s)/Opening(s)

Dear Ms. Elwell:

This is to acknowledge receipt of the following request(s). New requests are in **bold**.

| EFFECTIVE | END DATE | SHELLFISH AREA | STATUS |
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| 9/22/2023 | 10/01/2024 | <u>Potato Patch, South Thomaston</u> (south end): inside and east of a line beginning at a red painted post located on an unnamed point on the South Thomaston – St. George Town Line, then running approximately 250 yards northeast to a red painted post. | Closed |
| 8/1/2022 | Indefinite | <u>The Bay, Thomaston and South Thomaston</u> : north of a line beginning at a red painted post, located approximately 120 yards northeast of the bottom of the stairs at the end of Bobolink Lane (Thomaston), then running southeast to a red painted post, located at the northern-most tip of Hospital Point (South Thomaston), then continuing southeast to a red painted post on the opposite shore (South Thomaston); AND east of a line beginning at a red painted post located approximately 120 yards northeast of the bottom of the stairs at the end of Bobolink Lane running northeast to a town maintained marker buoy in the channel then continuing north-northeast to the train trestle on the eastern shore of Mill River | Closed |
| 8/4/2023 | 10/31/2024 | <u>Broad Cove, Cushing</u> : all flats north of a line starting at Bradford Point then running southwest to Bailey’s Point. | Closed |
| 7/10/2023 | Indefinite | <u>Maple Juice Cove, Cushing - A</u> : north of a line beginning at the south end of the point at Sheep Point Lane, Cushing, extending east to the southern tip of the un-named point on the opposite shore. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> open to harvest Wednesdays and Saturdays only, when in open status for temporary harvest. | Closed** |

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| 9/28/2023 | Indefinite | <u>Maple Juice Cove, Cushing - B:</u> north of a line beginning at the south end of the point at Sheep Point Lane, Cushing, running west to a red painted post located on the eastern most point of land on the opposite shore. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • open to harvest Wednesdays and Saturdays only, when in open status for temporary harvest. | Closed** |
| 6/18/2017 | Indefinite | <u>Hornbarn Cove, Cushing:</u> northeast of a line drawn from the southwestern tip of Hornbarn Point, southeast to Carvers wharf at the end of Orne Lane. | Closed** |
| 7/27/2016 | Indefinite | <u>Cutler Cove, St. George:</u> east of a line drawn northwest from a red painted post located at the narrow portion of the east side of Cutler Cove to a red painted post on the opposite shore. | Closed** |
| 7/20/2015 | Indefinite | <u>Salt Pond, Cushing:</u> north of a line beginning at the end of Gun Creek Lane (Cushing) running west to the Cushing-Friendship town line AND south of a line beginning at the east end of the Salt Pond Road bridge running west out to the Cushing-Friendship Town line. | Closed** |

**This conservation closure will automatically open for temporary harvest only when the Department of Marine Resources (DMR) closes pollution area WU, CA1 due to rainfall. This conservation closure will automatically resume when DMR pollution area WU, CA1 returns to the conditionally approved status.

This office approves of the George's Regional Shellfish Program's conservation measures. We appreciate your efforts to keep us informed on your conservation activities.

Sincerely,



Meredith White, Nearshore Marine Resources Program Supervisor

cc: Lt. Daniel White, Marine Patrol Division I - Boothbay
Hannah Annis, Marine Scientist